



## DIGEST OF CURRENT ECONOMIC STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA JUNE 1986

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#### Adjustments to series

2. Besides being adjusted for normal seasonal factors, some of the statistical series included in the Digest have been adjusted for the effects of calendar variations, namely, 'trading-day' effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in a month) and the influence of movable holidays, such as Easter and Australia Day.

3. Most of the original and seasonally adjusted series are preliminary and subject to revision.

#### Related publications

4. More detailed information is available in the *Monthly Summary of Statistics, Australia* (1304.0) (\$4.00, \$4.90 incl. postage). Publications from which the series in the Digest are derived are listed on page 8.

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8. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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# PRODUCTION

Month	Iron ore (a) '000 tonnes	Lead (b) '000 tonnes	Electricity mil. kWh		Gas (c) mil. megajoules		Raw steel '000 tonnes		Cement '000 tonnes		Motor vehicles (d) '000		Electric motors under 720 W '000		Month	Coal (e) '000 tonnes
			Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		
1984-85—															1984-85—	
March	22,451	41.4	9,880	10,125	36,805	38,627	537	521	477	457	35.6	33.1	195	190	March	11,504
April		41.5	9,364	10,071	34,221	37,581	494	518	447	467	28.9	33.3	155	188	April	10,152
May		45.6	10,580	10,083	41,020	37,076	549	522	529	476	38.9	33.2	182	196	May	13,169
June	23,850	38.8	10,899	10,082	44,350	37,889	544	540	480	470	37.4	37.0	169	181	June	11,937
1985-86—															1985-86—	
July		45.4	11,683	9,927	49,864	39,391	599	545	514	492	44.4	37.6	190	177	July 27	12,998
August		45.6	11,275	10,279	47,894	42,917	583	556	594	552	42.5	36.5	190	160	August 24	12,930
September	28,609	43.2	10,201	10,208	44,821	43,434	582	601	523	523	38.1	35.3	193	163	September 21	11,626
October		42.6	10,210	10,265	43,559	44,285	589	597	570	543	42.1	36.4	222	180	October 19	11,986
November		38.0	9,724	10,255	38,917	41,555	578	616	522	481	34.5	32.1	195	164	November 16	12,658
December	22,554	38.1	9,698	10,418	35,237	42,075	561	556	457	473	25.6	28.9	154	160	December 14	13,217
January		34.4	9,846	10,693	33,473	41,559	592	588	356	500	112.9	r37.4	91	203	January 11	3,135
February		38.8	9,407	10,535	36,321	42,622	504	559	503	522	30.0	31.7	153	159	February 8	11,902
March	n.y.a.	40.6	10,265	10,758	40,007	42,122	545	526	508	509	r31.5	r31.5	134	133	March 8	9,850
April		39.0	19,970	110,453	43,516	47,287	547	585	r516	r529	25.2	26.8	147	155	April 5	12,117
May		n.y.a.	10,801	10,396	48,382	44,157	585	553	513	457	33.3	29.6	125	141	May 3	10,738

(a) Gross mine output. Source: Bureau of Mineral Resources, Geology and Geophysics (B.M.R.). (b) Metallic contents of mine products. Source: B.M.R. (c) Available for use through mains; includes natural gas. (d) Includes vehicles which are disposed of by the manufacturer in a partly finished state. (e) Excludes lignite. (f) Tasmanian production period one week earlier.

## PRODUCTION—continued

Month	Cotton woven cloth (incl. towelling) '000 sq m		Woolen and worsted woven cloth (incl. blanketing) '000 sq m		Man-made fibre-cloth '000 sq m		Meat '000 tonnes		Price index manufacturing division(a) (Base year 1968-69 = 100.0)		Whole milk intake by factories(b) mil. litres		Brokers and dealers receipts of taxable wool		Book value at end of quarter 5 m	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Total receipts tonnes	% of total received by brokers(c)	Original	Seas. adj.
1984-85—																
April	2,735	3,025	714	734	11,515	12,536	171	180	412.9	336	533	38,205	79.2			
May	4,383	3,378	1,004	995	15,104	13,547	198	183	418.0	310	544	40,212	78.2			
June	3,317	2,847	802	943	14,543	12,780	165	178	420.8	279	545	25,988	76.0	38,997	39,113	
1985-86—																
July	3,793	3,474	924	880	15,301	13,420	179	168	422.7	342	496	55,086	81.6			
August	4,166	3,683	909	953	14,928	13,356	166	168	424.9	484	484	76,595	80.7			
September	3,491	3,099	773	814	13,682	12,675	166	162	425.5	652	486	106,724	81.3	40,829	40,606	
October	3,338	3,291	860	690	16,445	14,444	195	168	426.1	787	493	117,212	77.9			
November	3,638	3,348	1,019	814	15,597	14,340	187	189	428.4	742	493	92,810	76.0			
December	2,248	2,287	630	752	11,020	14,000	168	190	431.1	678	488	59,262	75.6	41,612	41,694	
January	1,291	4,215	594	899	4,583	11,422	180	196	434.4	604	519	46,252	80.3			
February	3,404	4,040	1,042	939	13,850	14,540	187	197	r437.1	462	547	47,441	76.2			
March	3,286	3,041	979	1,039	14,635	14,485	189	203	r434.4	411	547	46,158	75.9	p42,878	p42,905	
April	3,192	3,185	r987	r862	r13,728	r14,003	211	202	p431.8	r312	r499	46,153	77.5			
May	4,299	3,410	1,082	1,152	14,111	12,957	r191	185	n.y.a.	282	497	37,146	78.8			
June	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	180	194	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

(a) This index is on a 'net division' basis and relates in concept only to articles which are produced in the Manufacturing Division of ASIC (Division C) for sale or transfer outside the Division or for use as capital equipment. (b) Source: Australian Dairy Corporation. (c) Members of the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia. (d) Owned by private enterprises in Australia. See publication 5629.0.

# FOREIGN TRADE

Month	Value of total exports (a) \$m	Value of total imports (a) \$m	Values at average 1979-80 prices \$m		Export price index All groups (base year 1974-75 = 100)	Import price index All groups (base year 1981-82 = 100.0)	Balance of Payments—current transactions \$m		Official reserve assets (b) \$m
			Exports f.o.b.	Imports f.o.b.			Balance on goods and services	Balance on current account	
			Seas. adj.	Seas. adj.					
1984-85—									
April	2,903	2,402			241		-23	-409	13,888
May	2,930	2,564			243		-70	-267	13,811
June	12,994	2,615	5,894	5,449	246	141.0	-319	-245	13,517
1985-86—									
July	1,708	1,721			247		-948	-544	13,119
August	1,705	1,772			247		-321	-255	13,119
September	1,791	1,865	6,035	5,606	247	141.8	-295	-255	13,119
October	1,769	1,755			247		-317	-219	13,119
November	1,762	1,744			247		-430	-240	13,119
December	1,702	1,744	5,830	5,818	247	146.6	-219	-245	13,119
January	1,728	1,772			247		-219	-245	13,119
February	1,714	1,705			247		-228	-245	13,119
March	1,714	1,705	6,272	5,513	247	n.y.a.	-228	-245	13,119
April	1,714	1,705			247		-228	-245	13,119
May	1,722	1,716			247		-228	-245	13,119
June	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	-246	-1,171	13,119

(a) Non-merchandise trade is excluded from export and import statistics. (b) Gold is valued at the average London gold price for the month converted to SA at the market rate of exchange applying on the last day of the month.

# INTERNAL TRADE

Month	Retail sales(a)						New motor cars and station wagons registered (c)			
	All items except motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. \$m		Food and drink \$m		Clothing, hardware, electrical and furniture \$m		Other(b) \$m		Other new motor vehicles registered(c) '000	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1984-85—										
April	13,847	4,008					42.0	45.0	14.5	15.0
May	1,246	4,109					49.0	43.7	15.6	13.7
June	3,809	4,140	5,943	6,106	3,953	3,987	2,000	2,138	15.6	14.6
1985-86—										
July	4,066	4,198					46.9	42.6	14.8	12.9
August	4,128	4,215					44.1	41.2	12.1	11.7
September	3,989	4,283	6,169	6,354	3,883	4,081	2,129	2,241	11.9	13.0
October	4,385	4,333					45.2	44.0	12.4	12.5
November	4,573	4,353					46.5	48.4	12.2	13.3
December	5,875	4,399	7,021	6,511	5,057	4,277	2,749	2,306	10.0	11.3
January	4,280	4,463					13.7	18.5	9.8	11.3
February	3,937	4,422					31.5	33.8	9.8	10.5
March	4,160	4,413	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	34.3	35.8	9.8	9.9
April	4,294	4,434					40.4	39.3	11.6	10.3
May	4,701	4,531					36.3	33.5	11.1	10.2
June p	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	34.5	33.7	10.3	9.3

(a) Series based on 1979-80 Retail Census; excludes Northern Territory, but includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Other; excludes motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. (c) C comprises light commercial type vehicles, trucks, other truck type vehicles and buses.

# WAGES, OVERTIME AND RETAIL PRICES

Month	Average weekly earnings of employees (R)		Average weekly earnings of full-time adult persons (R)	Index of minimum award rates of pay, full-time adult persons 1976 = 100	Average weekly overtime hours per employee	Consumer price index, weighted average of eight capital cities (Base of each index: Year 1960-61 = 100.0 unless otherwise stated)								
	All males	All females		All groups		Food	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transportation	Tobacco and alcohol	Health and personal care	Recreation and education(s)	
1964-65— April May June	397.28	263.40	382.80	200.0 199.2 200.3	1.23	141.1	137.4	132.8	145.4	142.1	149.7	154.6	125.0	122.5
1965-66— July August September October November December January February March April May June	403.10  413.90  422.70  n.y.a.	265.00  268.40  276.40  n.y.a.	387.90  396.90  404.20  n.y.a.	200.2 200.2 200.3 216.2 216.2 216.2 216.2 216.2 216.2 216.2 216.2	1.18  1.30  1.25  1.23	144.2  147.1  150.5  153.0	139.9  143.2  146.1  149.4	133.6  138.1  139.8  145.4	148.7  152.2  155.0  157.8	145.8  149.3  152.1  154.3	152.9  153.8  158.8  156.4	159.8  162.8  167.5  171.8	128.5  130.2  133.5  139.6	125.9  127.6  131.2  133.4

(a) Base of index series: March Quarter 1962 = 100.0.

# BUILDING AND NEW FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Month											Price Index(s)					
	Building approvals \$ m		Building approvals total '000 units		Government building approved \$ m	Building commenced, total \$ m		Dwellings commenced '000 units		Materials used in house building (Base year 1966-67 = 100.0)	Materials used in building other than house building (Base year 1975-80 = 100.0)	New fixed capital expenditures by private enterprise (\$m)(b)				
												New buildings and structures		Other new capital equipment		
Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.			Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		
1964-65—																
March	1,361.7	1,345.8	13.4	13.1	180.5	3,472.7	3,706.9	34.0	36.9	486.9	156.8	899	1,050	2,657	3,064	
April	1,281.0	1,344.0	13.4	13.4	200.2					491.9	158.3					
May	1,503.3	1,313.0	14.6	13.2	320.5					496.2	168.4					
June	1,423.8	1,414.8	13.3	13.4	193.2	4,176.1	4,865.6	39.2	38.3	498.8	161.1	1,103	1,073	3,593	3,341	
1965-66—																
July	1,377.5	1,267.3	13.8	13.3	194.0					501.0	161.9					
August	1,623.4	1,364.0	14.1	13.5	433.5					502.0	163.0					
September	1,462.7	1,466.9	12.8	13.1	247.8	4,339.5	4,132.7	39.3	37.9	506.6	163.8	r1,177	r1,218	3,442	3,492	
October	1,505.2	1,408.8	14.8	13.4	250.3					509.7	164.8					
November	1,552.1	1,549.9	12.7	12.3	252.5					512.3	164.3					
December	1,261.5	1,284.3	10.8	11.8	341.4	4,316.4	4,371.8	36.3	35.6	514.1	167.6	r1,380	r1,360	3,529	r3,405	
January	1,204.7	1,207.6	10.0	12.4	209.5					516.8	168.6					
February	1,086.9	1,218.8	10.0	10.9	158.4					p519.3	p170.8					
March	1,057.8	1,158.3	9.5	10.1	184.9	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	p521.1	p171.0	1,238	1,450	2,998	3,446	
April	r1,442.9	r1,374.9	10.3	9.4	355.9					p523.7	p171.6					
May	1,365.2	1,238.1	10.5	9.6	324.6					p526.9	p172.5					

(a) Weighted average six State capital cities. (b) Excludes enterprises classified to agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, community services and construction.

# FINANCE

Month	Savings banks— depositors' balances (a) \$m		Major trading banks (b)				Housing finance for owner occupation secured commitments to individuals (c)			Common- wealth bond yield short dated (e) per cent	Taxation revenue Commonwealth and State consolidated revenue funds \$m
	Original	Seas. adj.	Deposits \$m		Advances \$m		Banks \$m	Permanent building societies \$m	Other lenders (d) \$m		
			Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.					
1984-85—											
April	35,662	36,259	39,821	39,607	31,778	31,394	595	322	98	13.65	7,526
May	36,148	36,536	39,833	39,945	32,050	31,731	793	397	115	13.50	7,276
June	38,866	38,780	40,607	40,971	32,713	32,729	637	295	98	13.45	6,599
1985-86—											
July	38,619	39,040	42,098	42,235	33,771	33,685	811	334	110	13.35	4,737
August	39,132	39,298	42,175	42,641	33,809	34,037	723	279	114	14.45	5,499
September	39,105	39,313	42,894	42,870	33,912	34,024	702	243	105	14.30	4,325
October	39,414	39,705	42,842	42,893	(1)37,255	(1)36,754	727	266	117	15.05	4,399
November	39,279	39,646	43,239	43,155	37,960	37,866	620	260	119	15.55	5,655
December	39,710	39,281	44,055	43,772	38,944	38,842	545	289	95	15.65	5,609
January	39,104	38,598	43,660	43,402	38,469	38,759	545	130	100	14.65	5,738
February	39,138	38,799	43,800	43,976	38,970	39,705	521	156	101	14.15	5,631
March	39,316	38,948	44,549	44,389	39,823	40,107	481	151	99	13.30	5,007
April	40,354	41,105	45,521	45,093	41,771	41,257	706	173	97	12.65	9,255
May	40,624	41,060	44,735	44,997	41,028	40,629	734	141	100	12.70	n.y.a.
June	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	44,307	44,658	41,004	41,015	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	12.80	n.y.a.

(a) Excludes external territories. (b) Includes external territories. (c) Excludes loans for alterations and additions. (d) Includes terminating building societies, finance companies, credit unions, insurance companies and government instrumentalities. (e) This series is based on non-rebate bonds. (f) Break in series due to inclusion of certain foreign currency assets and liabilities not previously reported. For further information see *Major Trading Banks, Australia* (5603.0).

**NATIONAL ACCOUNTS**  
(Bm)

Quarter	Gross domestic product		Gross farm product		Gross non-farm product		Final consumption expenditure				Gross fixed capital expenditure			
							Private		Government		Private		Public	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
AT CURRENT PRICES														
1984-85—														
December	56,853	51,778	4,777	2,239	52,076	49,539	32,646	30,896	9,080	8,603	8,314	7,857	4,076	4,053
March	50,242	52,853	1,641	2,326	48,601	50,527	30,805	31,951	8,311	8,903	7,178	7,956	3,795	4,380
June	53,251	54,975	1,197	2,297	52,054	52,678	32,636	33,114	9,473	9,078	8,818	8,482	5,435	4,422
1985-86—														
September	56,202	57,150	1,511	2,195	54,691	54,955	33,827	34,076	9,004	9,318	8,817	8,780	3,981	4,442
December	62,979	57,597	4,577	2,177	58,402	55,420	37,156	35,108	10,267	9,719	9,311	8,860	4,841	4,802
March	55,825	58,828	1,525	2,234	54,300	56,594	34,336	35,663	9,403	10,063	7,933	8,760	4,255	4,908
AT AVERAGE 1979-80 PRICES														
1984-85—														
December	37,904	34,184	4,116	2,119	33,788	32,065	21,628	20,425	5,760	5,509	5,570	5,287	2,566	2,553
March	32,277	34,165	1,598	2,213	30,679	31,952	19,973	20,770	5,287	5,611	4,718	5,219	2,369	2,732
June	33,674	35,028	1,397	2,208	32,277	32,820	20,685	20,967	5,939	5,687	5,632	5,418	3,266	2,657
1985-86—														
September	35,086	35,604	1,550	2,011	33,536	33,593	20,914	21,099	5,481	5,666	5,401	5,369	2,322	2,590
December	39,299	35,573	3,938	2,092	35,361	33,481	22,624	21,316	6,200	5,925	5,491	5,240	2,762	2,741
March	33,436	35,526	1,447	2,130	31,989	33,396	20,297	21,148	5,520	5,854	4,565	5,036	2,368	2,733
AT CURRENT PRICES—continued														
Quarter	Imports of goods and services		Exports of goods and services		Gross operating surplus of trading enterprises				Wages, salaries and supplements		Income of farm unincorporated enterprises	Other household income	Less direct taxes, etc. (a)	Household disposable income
					Companies		Other							
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.				
1984-85—														
December	9,161	9,345	7,859	7,953	7,364	6,625	15,285	11,980	28,018	26,856	3,440	17,922	6,196	42,528
March	9,138	9,535	8,116	8,373	5,873	6,553	11,352	12,460	26,062	27,119	426	15,911	6,889	34,968
June	10,811	10,775	9,999	9,739	6,613	6,752	10,783	12,671	28,281	28,191	18	18,805	7,581	34,613
1985-86—														
September	11,842	11,188	9,759	9,731	7,820	7,741	13,097	13,324	27,988	28,464	286	17,663	7,230	38,317
December	11,628	11,846	9,469	9,550	7,959	7,158	16,778	13,513	30,914	29,442	3,143	20,228	7,266	46,654
March	11,058	11,585	9,685	9,958	6,476	7,212	12,792	13,958	29,047	30,386	186	18,370	7,427	38,484

(a) Direct taxes deducted are those paid by persons to general government. These include income tax paid and estate and gift duties, all other direct taxes, fees for service of a regulatory character and fines and gifts paid. Also deducted here are consumer debt interest and transfers to overseas.

**LABOUR FORCE SURVEY(a)  
(PERSONS)**

**SURVEY  
OF JOB  
VACANCIES  
(b)**

Month	Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Unemployment rate-per cent		Participation rate-per cent		Number of job vacancies ('000)
	Full-time workers		Total		Looking for full-time work		Total		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.					
1985—													
April	5,380.0	5,403.3	6,604.0	6,619.0	507.2	507.6	609.8	604.4	8.5	8.4	60.6	60.6	56.6
May	5,426.8	5,437.4	6,673.2	6,668.7	499.1	501.3	602.1	599.3	8.3	8.2	61.0	60.9	
June	5,421.7	5,442.7	6,670.1	6,676.6	507.0	521.2	600.5	616.0	8.3	8.4	60.9	61.1	
July	5,472.1	5,459.9	6,715.9	6,702.1	471.7	499.1	558.9	593.0	7.7	8.1	60.8	61.0	52.4
August	5,439.2	5,494.9	6,690.3	6,736.8	484.2	499.7	567.6	594.9	7.8	8.1	60.6	61.2	
September	5,547.7	5,515.4	6,817.8	6,770.6	479.5	491.5	583.0	586.3	7.9	8.0	61.7	61.3	
October	5,496.6	5,501.0	6,782.9	6,762.3	440.5	477.9	528.4	569.9	7.2	7.8	60.8	61.0	51.8
November	5,562.4	5,564.5	6,890.5	6,848.5	439.5	475.8	537.0	582.9	7.2	7.8	61.7	61.7	
December	5,638.9	5,571.7	6,918.9	6,846.0	479.7	468.8	583.9	569.2	7.8	7.7	62.2	61.5	
1986—													
January	5,603.6	5,621.4	6,762.1	6,910.5	523.7	474.2	615.0	575.7	8.3	7.7	61.1	62.0	59.0
February	5,638.8	5,634.0	6,870.1	6,899.9	544.5	487.8	658.5	596.1	8.7	8.0	62.2	61.9	
March	5,638.5	5,618.8	6,961.4	6,917.6	501.6	475.2	634.6	590.3	8.4	7.9	62.7	61.9	
April	5,620.1	5,645.4	6,962.1	6,978.3	485.1	485.3	606.9	600.8	8.0	7.9	62.3	62.4	54.4
May	5,615.8	5,627.5	6,944.5	6,939.8	483.3	485.8	592.2	589.5	7.9	7.8	62.0	61.9	
June	5,634.9	5,656.9	6,972.7	6,978.8	457.0	469.6	561.9	575.9	7.5	7.6	61.9	62.0	

(a) Estimates derived from the labour force survey part of monthly population survey, which is based on a sample of dwellings and covers about two-thirds of one per cent of the population of Australia. For further information see *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0). (b) Estimates derived from a survey of private sector employers and government agencies. For further information see *Job Vacancies, Australia* (6231.0).

**EMPLOYED WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS, STATES AND TERRITORIES(a)  
PERSONS ('000)**

Month	Australia														Total
	Government														
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Private	Commonwealth	State(b)	Local	Total		
1985—															
January	1,818.3	1,413.3	760.3	443.1	456.6	139.3	48.9	108.1	3,568.6	427.3	1,042.5	149.6	1,619.4	5,188.0	
February	1,847.5	1,444.7	777.1	448.8	464.6	142.1	49.0	110.3	3,626.2	429.0	1,077.0	152.0	1,657.9	5,284.1	
March	1,855.7	1,458.8	780.9	455.3	471.3	144.8	50.3	111.7	3,639.8	431.8	1,104.3	152.8	1,689.1	5,328.9	
April	1,863.8	1,466.2	787.7	459.0	477.7	145.4	52.1	112.6	3,663.0	432.6	1,116.1	152.9	1,701.6	5,364.7	
May	1,850.9	1,465.2	797.3	462.1	479.3	145.8	52.6	113.3	3,675.8	434.4	1,102.9	153.8	1,691.1	5,367.0	
June	1,865.4	1,470.2	796.4	465.7	482.7	147.0	53.6	113.5	3,669.2	434.3	1,123.6	154.7	1,712.5	5,381.8	
July	1,851.0	1,479.0	786.1	466.6	477.8	141.7	53.8	111.7	3,651.2	429.8	1,134.0	154.8	1,718.6	5,369.7	
August	1,854.7	1,485.6	790.9	467.3	481.2	141.9	54.1	111.6	3,671.5	429.7	1,130.4	155.8	1,716.0	5,387.3	
September	1,850.1	1,489.5	794.2	465.9	482.7	142.8	54.9	111.5	3,678.0	429.9	1,127.7	155.9	1,713.4	5,391.5	
October	1,897.4	1,503.1	800.3	466.2	493.7	145.1	56.3	112.9	3,757.2	431.1	1,131.0	155.7	1,717.8	5,475.1	
November	1,915.2	1,516.4	805.4	468.4	495.6	146.7	56.4	113.8	3,796.5	432.3	1,133.3	155.9	1,721.5	5,517.9	
December	1,913.7	1,518.4	798.9	466.3	498.3	146.7	54.3	114.2	3,803.9	432.9	1,119.1	154.9	1,706.9	5,510.8	
1986—															
January	1,871.8	1,521.0	792.4	458.0	490.4	140.7	52.8	112.2	3,781.9	431.6	1,074.3	151.7	1,657.6	5,439.4	
February	1,914.7	1,548.1	807.3	468.6	503.7	143.4	55.4	114.9	3,852.9	434.1	1,113.6	155.5	1,703.2	5,556.1	
March	1,923.5	1,556.2	807.6	469.9	505.9	145.8	55.6	116.6	3,854.7	434.2	1,136.4	155.9	1,726.5	5,581.2	

(a) Results of sample survey of approximately 20,000 private employers selected from the ABS register of businesses. Data from all Government Employers is collected. For further details see *Employed Wage and Salary Earners Australia* (6248.0) and *Information Paper: New Statistical Series: Employment, Average Weekly Earnings, Job Vacancies and Overtime* (6256.0). Excludes wage and salary earners in the private sector employed in agriculture, forestry, fisheries, hunting, private households and members of the permanent defence forces. (b) Includes the Northern Territory Government.

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